REMARKS

In the Advisory Action mailed March 25, 2008, the Examiner maintained his rejection of claims 23-25 and 28-32 based on the recitation of "80 % homology to SEQ ID NO: 2 or 3." Solely to expedite the allowance of claims, Applicants have amended the claims to replace "80% homology" with "98% homology." Applicants retain their right to prosecute the subject matter of any cancelled claims, as well as the subject matter encompassed by the claims prior to the amendments herein, in a continuation application.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative to discuss any issue that would expedite allowance of the subject application.

Any fees for extension(s) of time or additional fees that are required in connection with the filing of this response are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such required fees or to credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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